

Membership fees of the International Leprosy Association are intended mainly to contribute to the cost of publication of THE JOURNAL, and the remittances should be so made that they may be available for that purpose. Until the last war remittances made in sterling to the General Secretary-Treasurer in London were readily transferred to the publication office, but that no longer is the case. For some years membership fees sent to London have been frozen there.

For that reason notices have been published repeatedly asking subscribers to remit the \$5.00 annual fee directly to THE JOURNAL in New Orleans. This applies both to persons who are members of the Association or are eligible for membership, and to offices, institutions and such which subscribe without relation to the Association. Although many have responded to that appeal, a considerable number of remittances still go to the Association office in London, where perforce they accumulate.

In 1951 we published (vol. 19, pp. 230-233) details of the Unesco Book Coupon Scheme, by means of which remittances for subscriptions may be made from many countries in a form which can be used in the United States. So very few have used that method that we have been asked to bring the matter to attention in this department. It is greatly to be desired that the burden on the Leonard Wood Memorial, which bears most of the cost of publication (see our last issue, p. 539), may be made less onerous.

The Unesco Book Coupon Scheme provides a means whereby people in countries which are participants in the scheme may buy dollar coupons in the local currency at the official dollar rate prevailing on the day of sale. The coupons can be used

to obtain, among various other things, publications in the fields of science, including subscriptions to periodicals, individual volumes or issues of periodicals, and membership subscriptions to learned societies provided that such subscriptions are mainly a means of obtaining the publication of those societies.

The countries participating in this scheme as of February 1953 are listed below, together with the addresses of the Distributing Bodies where coupons are on sale.¹ Further information may be obtained from those offices, or from the Unesco Coupon Office, 19 avenue Kléber, Paris 16^e, France.

Burma: National Commission Secretariat, Government of Burma, 545 Merchant Street, Rangoon. *Ceylon*: National Commission for Unesco, Ministry of Education, Colombo. *France and French Colonial Territories*: Direction des Bibliothèques de France, 55 rue Saint-Dominique, Paris 7^e. *Germany* (Bundesrepublik): Notgemeinschaft der deutschen Wissenschaft, Buechelstrasse 55, Bad Godesberg bei Bonn. *India*: Ministry of Education, New Delhi 3. *Indonesia*: Ministry of Education and Culture, Djalan Tijlatjap 4, Djakarta. *Iran*: Iranian National Commission for Unesco, Avenue du Musée, Téhéran. *Israel*: Import Licensing Office, Ministry of Education and Culture, Hakirya. *Italy*: Commissione Nazionale dell'Unesco, Villa Massimo, Via di Villa Massimo, Rome. *Japan*: Japanese Society for the Promotion of Science, c/o Science Council of Japan, Ueno Park, Daito-ku, Tokyo. *Pakistan*: Minister of Education and Industries (Education Division), Government of Pakistan, Karachi. *Thailand*: Thailand National Commission for Unesco, Ministry of Education, Bangkok. *Union of South Africa*: Department of Education, Arts and Science, New Standard Bank Buildings, Pretoria. *United Kingdom and British Colonial and Trust Territories*: Unesco Book Coupons, c/o Book Tokens, Ltd., 28 Little Russell Street, London, W.C.1.

Besides these countries, we are informed that Belgium, Burma, Canada, Greece and New Zealand have entered into this arrangement with Unesco; but the addresses of the Distributing Bodies in those countries have not been learned.

It is hoped that all subscribers in the countries where Unesco coupons can be purchased will use this method of making remittances directly to the INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF LEPROSY, c/o Dr. Huldah Bancroft, Assistant Editor, 1430 Tulane Avenue, New Orleans 12, Louisiana. Subscriptions *should not be purchased through agencies*, which charge fees which reduce materially the amount received by THE JOURNAL.

—H. W. WADE

¹ Not included in this list are Austria, Cambodia, Switzerland and the United States, where the present problem does not apply, and certain countries which are no longer cooperating.